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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DCID 1/2 COMMITTEE

Subject: Approved Minutes of the 8 October 1981 Committee Meeting (U)

The attached approved minutes of the 8 October 1981 DCID 1/2 Committee Meeting are circulated to DCID 1/2 Committee Members for information and retention. There were no changes to the draft version. (U)

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Executive Secretary

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1. [] the Chairman Designate of the DCID 1/2 Committee. [] stated that he had long appreciated the extremely important role of the DCID 1/2 priorities in the intelligence process and looked forward to joining the Committee officially in the near future. []

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Publication of the 1981 DCID 1/2 Attachment

2. The Chairman announced that the new edition of the DCID 1/2 Attachment had been approved by the DCI on 6 October 1981 and was now being printed. Its dissemination to 1200 recipients would begin shortly. []

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NIE 7-81 "Political Instability and Regional Tensions"

3. The first item on the agenda was the review of the accuracy of the DCID 1/2 priorities relevant to the judgments of NIE 7-81, "Political Instability and Regional Tensions". This Estimate identifies 17 countries where, because of domestic instability or deep-rooted social and economic forces, there is a significant chance of major change detrimental to key U.S. interests. The Estimate states that some of the situations identified will require a redirection of intelligence efforts. The Chairman noted that it was appropriate for the DCID 1/2 Committee to review the accuracy of relevant DCID 1/2 priorities in the light of the judgments of this Estimate, and to propose changes, if any are necessary. []

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4. The Chairman distributed to each of the DCID 1/2 Committee Members a copy of a large matrix, showing all of the DCID 1/2 topics and priorities for the 17 countries, as well as a small matrix with a selection of topics and priorities related more narrowly to the question of domestic instability. []

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5. There was Committee discussion of the approach to be used to identify those priorities that were relevant to the Estimate. [] suggested that the Committee confine the review of priorities at this meeting to those on the small matrix. He said that he would like additional time to check with his substantive experts about the identification of other priorities that related in a more general way to the judgments of the Estimate. []

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6. There was general agreement to proceed as [] had suggested. The Committee proceeded to review the small matrix and identified 23 priorities for revision, subject to a final check with agency experts. It was agreed that at its next meeting, the Committee would revisit the 23 priorities to confirm the Committee's selections and consider proposals for the revision of additional priorities relevant to the judgments of NIE 7-81. []

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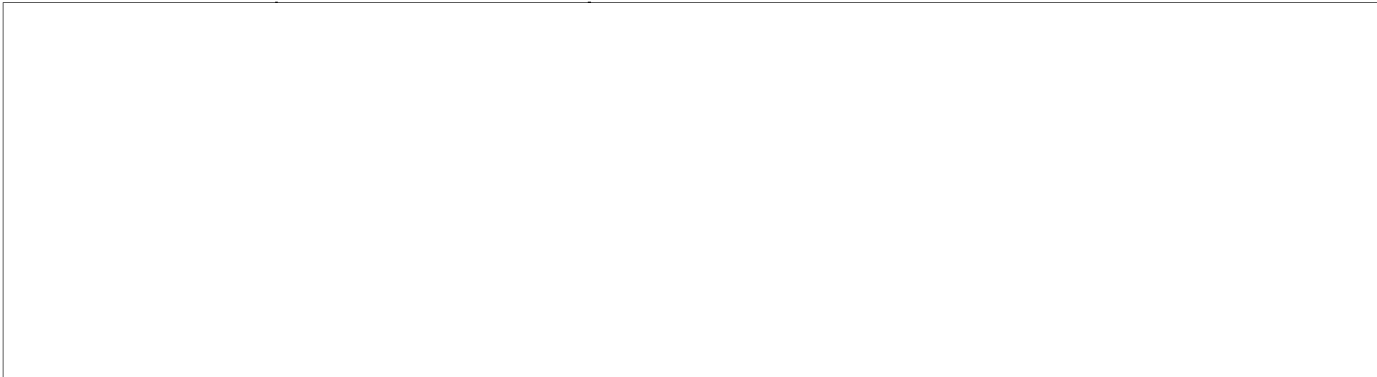
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8. It was agreed that the Committee would meet again on both of the day's agenda items on Monday, 19 October 1981. [redacted]

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Ambassado [redacted]

9. The Committee wished to include in the minutes a statement of appreciation of the skillful and effective leadership of Ambassador [redacted] over the past year and a half. It was a distinct pleasure to know and work with Ambassador [redacted] and the Committee wishes him all the best in his new assignment. [redacted]

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